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Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the Savannah Area Chamber, we ask that you consider the T-Mobile USA/AT&T merger, which can position us to bring more investment and economic growth to our region through the deal's commitment to increase access to wireless broadband.

The Savannah Chamber has been on the forefront of events that have shaped this community and impacted the world. Advances in business and technology made through Chamber support have reverberated throughout this community for more than 200 years. We mobilize and connect businesses to drive community development and public policies that promote sustainable growth.

Savannah's diversity in its economic sectors began developing before and during World War II and has remained a strong suit of the city. This diversity is evident today in the wide range of employers in the area — our port is large and is a growing source of international traffic for the country. In addition, manufacturers, the hospitality industry, the military, institutions of higher education, large-scale providers of health care and elder care, knowledge-based businesses and a strong retail component are active in and around our city.

These diverse economic sectors would benefit by increasing the availability and capacity of the Internet in our communities. By connecting more consumers and businesses, we can spur even more innovation and economic growth. Today, technology is changing the way we live, how consumers purchase goods, how businesses operate and more.

If approved, this merger may improve wireless broadband service and bring 4G LTE wireless Internet to more people. This investment in the communications infrastructure could help grow our economies and help our businesses.

Sincerely,

William W. Hubbard  
President and CEO